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Mr. Rush Beekman, Owner
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Re: Surface Transportation Board Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 405X); The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company Abandonment between Pawnee and Endicott, in Jefferson, Gage, and Pawnee Counties, Nebraska

Dear Gentlemen:

By petition filed on November 12, 2003, BNSF is seeking authority to abandon or discontinue service between railroad milepost 57.80, near Pawnee, and railroad milepost 117.03, near Endicott, a distance of approximately 59.23 miles, in Jefferson, Gage, and Pawnee Counties, Nebraska.

By decision served March 1, 2004, this abandonment will become effective on March 31, 2004. Within that same decision the Board directed BNSF to serve a copy of the decision (copy attached) on the five shippers on the line within 5 days after the service date of the decision and certify to the Board that it has done so.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (817) 352-2354 or Sarah.Bailiff@BNSF.com.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc: Mr. Vernon Williams (Secretary, STB)
Mr. Ray Allamong (UPRR) (w/attachment)
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